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CLIMATE and ENERGY LEADERSHIP AWARDS

RECOGNIZING INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO KEY CLIMATE AND ENERGY ISSUES IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION.



DEADLINE FOR 2014 PILOT AWARDS APPLICATIONS:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014

PURPOSE

The purpose of the 2014 pilot awards program is to recognize and encourage public agencies, non-governmental organizations and stakeholders in their efforts to achieve local and regional climate and energy goals in the Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee's Climate and Energy Action Plan. It provides an opportunity to foster healthy competition amongst local jurisdictions and stakeholders as well as an opportunity to learn from each other.

CATEGORIES

The awards will recognize projects, programs or policy initiatives that help achieve the regional goals identified in the Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee's 2013- 2016 Climate and Energy Action Plan. The awards will recognize leadership in the following categories:

- Small Communities (population under 50K)
- Medium Communities (population 50K 200K)
- Large Communities (population over 200K)
- Non-Governmental Organizations/Stakeholders

All of COG's 22 member jurisdictions are eligible to apply in one of the above categories. All CEEPC stakeholders are eligible to apply for the NGO/ stakeholder category.

JUDGING CRITERIA

All applications will be judged on the following four criteria:

- RESULTS achievements, outcomes, and/or measured results
- CREATIVITY innovative, resourceful, and/or unique aspects
- MODEL transferable to other jurisdictions or organizations and cost-effectiveness
- ENGAGEMENT public/stakeholder/partner engagement and acceptance

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants can submit via an online form or download a PDF of the <u>application</u> and submit via email to Maia Davis (<u>mdavis@mwcog.org</u>).

Please read through all the <u>FAQs</u> prior to preparing your application. For questions, please contact Maia Davis at 202-962-3227.